STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN KEVIN J. MARTIN

Re: Implementation of the Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act and Modernization of the Commission's Competitive Bidding Rules and Procedures, Order on Reconsideration of the Second Report and Order (WT Docket No. 05-211), FCC 06-78

These changes to our designated entity rules arose out of a last-minute proposal in the proceeding to adopt rules for the Advanced Wireless Services spectrum. While I supported examining potential changes to our designated entity rules for future auctions, I did not believe the rules needed to be changed, especially in advance of the auction this summer. Nevertheless, I agreed to the changes in order to obtain the support needed to establish the rules for wireless services that were essential to making the spectrum available for wireless broadband services this summer.